

Workingmen's Houses,
70 Southern Avenue
Dubuque
Dubuque County
Iowa

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Site Location: 70 Southern Avenue
Dubuque, Dubuque County, Iowa
OOT designation: Resource Site No. 1.15
Cadastral grid : NE1/4 NE1/4 S36 T89N R2E
USGS quadrangle: Dubuque South Iowa 7.5'
UTM coordinates: 15.692020.4706170
Lot dimensions : 39.2'x 57': .05 acre
Lot description: Lots 2-1 and 2A of Lot 1
of Randall's Subdivision

Present Owner: Iowa Department of Transportation
Present Usage: single family residence
Present Condition : good

Overall Dimensions: 1-1/2-story main block: 27'x 28'; rear addition: 6'x 11'.
Orientation : west
Architectural Plan type : rectangular; 1-1/2 stories.
Description : Foundation: concrete block perimeter walls.
Structure : wood frame
Ext. walls: permastone sheathing
Roofs : moderately pitched, side gabled roof with
shallow cross gable on the right side of the
facade; 3-tab asphalt shingles throughout.

Chimneys : none
Dormers : none
Windows : triple banked 8-light casements in northwest
corner of front; paired casements on northeast
corner of west side; 3/1 double-hung paired on
front and sides; remaining windows on first
floor and those on upper floor are 1/1 cottage
fixed; 3-light fixed window in cross gable on
front; awning windows at basement level. All
windows have slip sills, plain casings and
permastone flat arch heads with keystones.

Openings : slightly offset, single-leaf front door, with
semicircular head and permastone voussoirs;
slab door with 3 stepped lights.

Porches : concrete front and rear stoops with concrete
steps and wrought iron handrails.

Details : exposed rafters with plain fascias.

Construction Date : 1933

Architecture Style: Bungalow

Physical History : This modest bungalow was constructed in 1933, perhaps by John B. Welp. A long time occupant, Welp still lived in the house in 1970.

Significance: With its permastone exterior siding and shallowly pitched front cross gable, this house is atypical of the other workingmen's dwellings on Southern Avenue and South Locust Street but nevertheless within the mainstream of contemporary residential building trends.

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